

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 3-8, 14, 15, and 18-23 are currently pending in the present patent application, with claims 5-8 having been allowed and claims 3-4, 14-15, and 18-19 being indicated as allowable if properly rewritten in independent form in the Office Action mailed September 2, 2009. Claims 1-2, 9-13, and 16-17 have been cancelled through the above claim amendments.

Claims 3-4, 14-15, and 18-19 have been properly rewritten in independent form and accordingly are now in condition for allowance. Dependent claims 10-13 are allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 15 and due to the additional limitations added by each of these dependent claims. Dependent claim 20 is allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 19 and due to the additional limitations added by this dependent claim.

Independent claim 21 has been amended and is allowable for reasons similar to the reasons claim 19 is allowable. Dependent claims 22-23 are allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 21 and due to the additional limitations added by each of these dependent claims.

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The present patent application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested. **Should the Examiner have any further questions about the application, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to contact the undersigned attorney at (425) 455-5575 to arrange for a telephone interview to discuss the outstanding issues.** If the need for any fee in addition to any fee paid with this response is found, for any reason or at any point during the prosecution of this application, kindly consider this a petition therefore and charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account 07-1897.

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